

House Resolution No. 1727

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to acknowledge milestone achievements in the lives and careers of Show-Me State senior citizens who have developed and maintained exceptional reputations as experienced and dedicated workers; and

Whereas, Darlene Hughes of Chillicothe, Missouri, has attained considerable distinction as an employee at the Chillicothe Correctional Center in Livingston County; and

Whereas, a teacher for eighteen years at the Chillicothe Correctional Center, Darlene Hughes is the Northwest Regional Finalist in the Missouri Senior Employment Coordinating Committee (MSECC) and Experience Works "Missouri Older Worker Contest"; and

Whereas, still working forty hours per week at the age of sixty, Darlene Hughes taught Business Education, English, and Journalism between the years of 1966 and 1986 with only a few years out of the workforce when her two sons were young; and

Whereas, beginning in 1986 Darlene Hughes "found a new home" at the Chillicothe Correctional Center where she has helped more than one hundred female offenders each year gain skills to help them get a job upon release; and

Whereas, Darlene Hughes will have the opportunity to meet with state legislators on Wednesday, May 5, and Thursday, May 6, 2004, during her official visit to the state Capitol as part of Missouri Older Worker recognition festivities; and

Whereas, Darlene Hughes was selected as a Regional Finalist by a local committee as one of 84 nominees statewide and is fully eligible for additional honors and accolades if chosen as the state finalist by the Missouri Senior Employment Coordinating Committee:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the selection of Darlene Hughes as one of eleven Regional Finalists in the Fourteenth Annual Missouri Older Worker contest in 2004 and to convey to her this legislative body's heartiest congratulations at this distinct honor and our best wishes for continued personal and career success for many more years to come; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution to recognize Missouri Older Worker Regional Finalist Darlene Hughes of Chillicothe.

Offered by _____
Representative John Quinn
District No. 7

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1727, adopted April 14, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker